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Mr. Kadzik earned his B.A. summa cum laude from the University of Buffalo and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He received his law degree from Georgetown University Law Center, where he was an editor and member of the Georgetown Law Journal. After law school, Mr. Kadzik clerked for the Honorable Thomas A. Flannery on the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, and then served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the District of Columbia. Most recently, he was in private practice at Dickstein Shapiro LLC for more than 30 years, where he specialized in antitrust and commercial litigation, congressional investigations, representation of clients on matters involving state attorneys general, and representation of various nonprofit organizations and trade associations on a variety of legal and policy matters. Additionally, he served on the firm's Executive Committee and on several administrative committees throughout his tenure. Mr. Kadzik also served on advisory boards for the Kennedy Center, Georgetown Law, Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights, Legal Counsel for the Elderly, and the News Literacy Project.